

The Caledonian Mercury.

Edinburgh, Monday, February 3, 1729.

From the St. James Evening-Post, Jan. 25.

Barcelona, Dec. 28.

THEY are making great Preparations for War at St. Andero, where no English Vessels are permitted to enter the Port, nor no Englishman to go into the Town by Land. They continue to work with utmost Diligence in the Ports of Biscay, in order to send next Spring a formidable Fleet to Sea. The Court has given Orders for a good Number of Troops to march towards Galicia; and a vast Quantity of Ammunition and Provisions is carrying to the Camp at St. Roche, together with Fascines, Gabions, and other Materials necessary for a Siege. 'Tis written from Portmahon, that the Repairs they were making to Fort St. Philip, were well nigh finished, and that they expected some English Troops to reinforce the Garison of that Place. Two Men of War are continually going and coming to and from Gibraltar, to keep the Communication between that Place and Portmahon.

Bologna, Jan. 8. The Princess Clementina Sobieski, of whose Lying in we expected to hear from Day to Day, has lost her Belly, to the great Surprize of every Body here. Last Wednesday that Princess was exceeding full of Pain and out of Order; till having lost a great Quantity of Blood mixt with Water, all Symptoms of Child Birth disappeared, and on Thursday she found herself much easier. The same Day the Pretender made a Visit to the Cardinal Legate, and acquainted him with what had happened; which is looked upon as a signal Deliverance, for the Princess might otherwise have fallen into the Dropsy.

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Petersburg, Jan. 4. We see here an Abstract of the Treaty between this Court and that of Spain as follows. 1. That all Russian Commodities imported into Spain in Muscovite Bottoms, shall pay but half Duty usually paid by other Nations; pro-

vided Part of their Loading be Materials for the building and Rigging of Ships. 2. The like Priviledge is granted to all Spanish Ships trading to Russia; with this Addition, that all Liquors shall be imported Duty free. 3. That in Case his Catholick Majesty shall desire any Ships, either of War or Merchandize, to be built on his Account in the Harbours of Russia, the same shall be granted. And 4. That the Russian Merchants shall be permitted to send one Ship every Year to the Spanish West Indies. Our last Letters from Moscow advise, that our young Monarch enjoys a perfect State of Health; and that he will not set out on his Return hither, till an Express he has sent to Constantinople, is come back.

The humble ADDRESS of the House of Commons to the KING.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE Your Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great Britain in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return Our sincere and unfeigned Thanks for Your Majesty's most Gracious Speech from the Throne.

We congratulate Your Majesty upon the safe Arrival of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, so much to the Joy and Satisfaction of Your Majesty and all your People.

We are not insensible of the various and extensive Views, which must naturally arise in settling and reconciling the different Interests and Pretensions of so many different Powers, Parties to the Treaties of Hanover and Vienna; and we acknowledge with the utmost Gratitude, Your Majesty's great Wisdom and Prudence, in avoiding, as far as was possible, all Occasions of Difficulties and Delays, by concerting the most expeditious Methods of concluding, with Honour and Justice, the Negotiations depending at Soissons.

We have the Happiness to see Your Majesty indefatigable in the Pursuit of the Interests of your
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People, accommodating and composing the public Differences, declining the Temptation of Military Glory, and chusing rather to secure to your Subjects their just Rights and Possessions, by the milder Arts of Moderation and Forbearance, than to plunge the Nation unnecessarily into infinite and unknown Expences.

But your faithful Commons are so fully convinced that your own Honour, and the Honour of your Kingdoms, are Considerations so dear to your Majesty, and so inseparable from your Royal Mind, that we can, with the greatest Confidence imaginable, entirely rely upon your Majesty's undoubted Valour and Resolution to do yourself and the Nation Justice, whenever a proper Occasion call upon you for it; and we cannot in the least doubt, from your Majesty's constant and due Regard to the Rights, Privileges and Interests of your People, but that your Princely Care will equally extend itself to the securing of our Commerce, and obtaining a just Satisfaction for the many and great Losses sustained by your trading Subjects.

The mutual Harmony and Fidelity so firmly established, and subsisting between your Majesty and your Allies, cannot fail to create in your Commons the highest Satisfaction; and it is with Pleasure we observe that all Endeavours and Attempts to separate and dissolve this happy Union, of such Consequence to your Kingdoms, and so essential to the preserving the Peace and Tranquillity of Europe, have proved vain and unsuccessful.

We beg Leave to assure Your Majesty, that we will with the greatest Cheerfulness raise the Supplies necessary for answering and defraying the Charges and Expences of the ensuing Year, and and will not fail to make the proper Disposition of the growing Produce of the Sinking Fund. And if, after all Your Majesty's unwearied Endeavours to procure a safe and honourable Peace, a Rupture should become unavoidable, Your Majesty may depend upon the Zeal and Affection of this House, effectually to support Your Majesty in carrying on a just and necessary War, and enable You to act with Vigour in Conjunction with your Allies, as future Events and the Circumstances of publick Affairs may require.

And as nothing can be more injurious to Majesty's Honour, and the Interest and Reputation of your People, than the vile and detestable Practices of those, who by giving Hopes of contents, Divisions and Difficulties arising here at home, encourage the dilatory Proceedings that have hitherto retarded the Conclusion of this important Transaction; We look with the utmost Abhorrence upon the Authors and Contrivers of such base and unnatural Artifices, who suggest the Means of distressing their Country, and clamour at the Inconveniencies which they themselves have occasioned. This makes it highly incumbent upon Us to give Your Majesty the most unfeigned Assurance, that this House will, by an unshaken Duty and Affection to Your Majesty, and by a steady Perseverance in Support of your Government, convince the World, That no false and groundless Insinuations, no wicked Designs and Intrigues whatsoever, shall be able to diminish that Harmony and good Understanding between Your Majesty and your Parliament, which our Inclination, Duty and Interest call upon us inviolably to preserve.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 28.

Since our last arrived a Mail from France,

His Majesty is addressed for several Estimates and Accounts to be laid before the House, particularly of the Ordinary of the Navy for the Year 1724, and how the Money given for the last Year has been applied, and of the State of the Debt of the Navy as it stood at Christmass last. Likewise what Money has arisen within the half Year ending at Lady-day and Michaelmass last, and of the Surplus of the several Funds. The Supply to his Majesty was resolved *nemine contradicente*.

The great Unanimity, Vigour and Resolutions with which the Parliament has so early exerted itself, cannot fail of giving a favourable Turn to Affairs abroad, so as to bring the Congress to a happy Conclusion, notwithstanding the great Preparations that are making by the Emperor and King of Spain; the latter of which, 'tis pretended, will put to Sea next Spring with their Fleet of 46 Ships of the Line, and 17 Fregates.

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Yesterday as Sir Robert Walpole and the Duke of Devonshire, were going in Sir Robert's Chariot in Palace Yard from the Parliament House, his Coach driving up hastily, overset the Duke or they were in; but 'tis said neither of them received any Damage.

The same Day John Evans Esq; was elected Member of Parliament for Queensburgh, in Opposition to Sir Jeremy Lambrook.

The same Day likewise, came on the Trial of Robert Hales Esq; at the King's Bench Bar, upon an Indictment for defrauding Samuel Edwards Esq; of 500 L. by means of a Note drawn by the said Hales for 500 L. payable to Samuel Edwards, per Order; and after a Hearing of seven Hours, the Jury brought him in *GUILTY of the Indictment.*

Yesterday the Lords ordered no Petition for private Bills be received after the first of March; and upon the Motion of the Lord Trevor, that all Petitions for private Bills, shall for the future, be presented in a Month after the Beginning of every Session. Ordered, the Lords be summoned on Thursday next to consider of the same; and that the Judges do attend on Saturday next, to give in the Heads of a Bill for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, pursuant to their Lordships Directions at the End of the last Session: Which Bill we hear will be very extensive. No Petitions also for private Bills are to be received by the House of Commons after the first of March; so that both Houses will apply themselves to publick Affairs.

Since the Publication last Week, of 83 Merchant Ships taken by the Spaniards, we have an Account attested upon Oath, before a Publick Notary at Boston in New England, of the *Swan Sloop* of that Town having been taken by a Spanish Privateer belonging to Porto Rico, who told them that was the 15th English Prize he himself had taken. Those Men who swore to the Affidavit, being nine in Number, were let go in a small Boat, in which they had Difficulty to save their Lives, and get in to Boston.

A certain Author pretends to say, " 'Tis well known in what Manner Admiral Hoffer expressed himself, both in Jamaica, and by Letters to his Friends in England, touching the Nature of his Instructions, &c." But if it was so

well known as he asserts, he need never to avoid Particulars.

The Letters from Madrid by the French Mail, make no mention of any thing but of the Catholick and the Court setting out with great Pomp for the Frontiers of Portugal; to be present at the Exchange of the Princesses. And private Letters inform from Lisbon, That the Lords and Ladies of that Court, endeavouring to out-vye those of Spain for Dreis and Equipage at the said Exchange, has occasioned such Expences, that some of them can't recover it for 14 Years.

An Account is ordered to be laid before the House, of Money paid for the Navy and Victualling his Majesty's Ships for 7 Years past.

The Lords did not sit this Day.

A few Days ago died the Rev. Dr. Solafiel, Rector of St. Laurence's in the Island of Jersey, and Chaplain to the Garrison there.

Dr. Samuel Eyre, Son to the Lord Chief Justice Eyre, is made a Prebendary of Sarum, in room of Dr. Calmer deceased.

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Paris, Jan. 24. 'Tis reported, that next Spring the Clergy of France are to hold a general Assembly in this City, with Consent of the Pope and the King, for degrading the Bishop of Montpelier, and all the other Prelates, Curates, Vicars, &c. who will not accept the Constitution *Unigenitus*.

We are assured, that about the End of March next, 12000 Marines, and 18000 Men of regular Forces, will be assembled at Marseilles and Toulon, to be embarked on the Fleet design'd against Tripoli, unless the Regency submit before hand to the King's Demands.

Hague, Feb. 1. They write from Berlin, that a Marriage has been published at that Court between the 2d Princess Royal of Prussia and the Margrave of Brandenburg, Anspach. So that there seems to be a Mistake in the News pretended from Vienna, of a Marriage between that Prince and the Princess Caroline, 3d Daughter of the King of Great Britain.

London, Jan. 29. S. S. Stock, 98, 1 half.

This Day it is High Water at Leith at 2 o'clock, 20 Minutes. Tomorrow, at 3, 8 Min. On Wednesday, at 3, 56 Min.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

To be sold,

At Gilmertoun Parks, 3 Miles South off Edinburgh, a large, fine, thorough bred **DUTCH BULL**. Enquire at Baillie Clark in Gilmertoun.

¶ That the House of Boultingreen, consisting of nine Fire-rooms, Closets, Cellars, Brew-house, Stable, Coach-house, Park and Garden, pleasantly situate betwixt Leith and Leith Mills, near the Water, is to let against Whitsunday next. Any that would see the same, may call for Gilbert Matthison at the Brick House adjacent thereto.

¶ The Lands of **CORSLATS**, lying on the South Side of the Town of Linlithgow, consisting of 21 Acres of arable Ground, belonging to the Heirs of the deceased Baillie Kae in Canongate, holding Feu of the Earl of Hopton; Are to be exposed to publick voluntary Roup, together or in Parcels, in the House of Thomas Main Postmaster in Linlithgow, upon Tuesday the 11th of February Inst. between the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. The Conditions to be seen in the Hands of the said Thomas Main, and Robert Alison Writer, at his House opposite to the Main Guard, Edinburgh: Where also the Rights and Progress of the Lands may be seen.

¶ To be sette, (at or before Whitsunday next) near the Foot of Gray's Close, South side of the Street, a **FURNISHED LODGING**, consisting of 6 Fire-rooms, 3 light Closets and Saldry above-stairs; and below, a Kitchen, Servants Room, Pantrey and Cellar, with several other Cellars belonging to it; a Coach-house, Stable and Hay-loft. Enquire at Mr. Sheill's Shop (at the Hand and Orange) South side of the Street, a little below the Cross well, who will inform as to Particulars.

¶ That the voluntary Roup of the Lands of **CARSKERDO**, is again prorogued to Friday the 14th February Inst. when the same will be disposed of without further Delay to the highest Bidder, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, betwixt the Hours of three and four of the Clock in the Afternoon. The free Rent of the Lands is about eighty Pounds Sterling. They have a convenient Dwelling-house thereon, lately built,

consisting of seven Fire-rooms with Garrets, and cellary Office-houses, hold Taxward of the Crow Payment of twelve Pound Scots yearly for Ward Non-entry, the like Sum for Relief, and thirty six the Marriage; lying within the Parish of Ceres, at Miles distance from the Firth of Forth, and three Miles from Cowper in Fife, within a convenient Distance of Coal and Peat. The Rental of the Lands, Progress of Writs and Articles of Roup are to be seen in the Hands Alexander Stevenson of Montgreenan, Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the Parliament Close.

¶ To be sold by Roup to the highest Bidder, at Thornhill in the Shire of Drumfries, upon the 16th of February Inst. a large **WOOD** of fine old **OAK** Timber, growing upon the Barony of Keir, about 7 Miles from the Town of Drumfries. The Conditions to be seen in the Hands of John Dalrymple of Waterside, at his House near Thornhill, or John Neilson of Chapel, at his House in Drumfries, or Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signet, at his Writing-chamber in Broxburn's Square, Laun-market, Edinburgh.

¶ Whereas the voluntary Sale of the Lands of **GOGAR** in the Shire of Clackmannan, was about 2 Years ago advertised in the News papers, to be sold by publick Roup, and the same being put off, it is now to be exposed to Sale to the highest Bidder, on Thursday the 6th of February Inst. betwixt 2 & 4 o'clock after Noon, in the House of Mr. Biggar Vintner, at the Sign of the Anchor. The Purchase consists of about 277 Acres, arable or planted Ground; a well contriv'd House thereon of 16 Fire-rooms, Stables, Granary, and other Officehouses sitely situated from the House, as are the Gardens, Inclosures and Planting; The Parterre well furnished with Evergreens, and the Belvedere, with Visto's terminating on some of the finest Seat on the Forth. A fine Free Stone Quarrey, and Clay for Brick, may be had on the Lands. Coal, and Lime-Stone for Improvement of the Estate, is to be had within a Mile or so round it. Mr. William Veitch Writer, to the Signet, or Mr. Maclellan Bookseller, will inform as to Particulars.

N. B. The Lands have been for a great many Years neglected by occasional Incumbrances; but may, by small Industry, be improved to evident Advantage.

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N. B. The 4th Quarter of the 9th Year commenced the 25th Instant; so 'tis expected all who are furnished with this News-paper, will pay up their bygone Arrears and current Quarter, as they expect to be punctually served.